harassed in the course of the drive to expel illegal immigrant Bangaladeshis;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have received any communications from certain of M.Ps from West Bengal; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and Government's response thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) The police have standing instructions to ensure that no harassment is caused to any citizen of the country.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. The Communications received from Members of Parliament related to alleged harassment caused to certain bonafide citizens residing in Delhi.

It is ensured that while identifying illegal immigrants no harassment is caused to bonafide citizens.

Maharashtra-Karnataka Border Dispute

† ll39. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether he had convened a meeting of the Chief Ministers of Maharashtra and Karnataka to resolve the border dispute;

(b) if so, the outcome thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Government of India consistently has been of the view that the dispute primarily has to be resolved by the two State Governments concerned through mutual discussions and accommodation.

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.